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GS-08P-10-JB-C-0005 – RFQ – Request for Qualifications-Phase I  
RECOVERY – Design Build Services for the Modernization of the Cesar E. Chavez  
Memorial Office Building, Denver, CO.

**Response to RFI's:**

1. Q. Please provide the minority participation goals for this project?  
A. This is a Full & Open Competition. Subcontracting Plans are encouraged to utilize Small Business participation.
2. Q. Do you have MS Word versions of the Questionnaires for Past Performance and the Design Team?  
A. No.
3. Q. Do these projects have to include re-skinning of the example buildings? Is it possible to include new buildings? Does "modernization" include up-grading a building to LEED certification?  
A. Refer to RFQ Factor 3 Project Experience on Similar Projects, page 10.
4. Q. Solicitation Factor 2 Qualifications/Experience of Design Team Personnel requires that the Building Envelope Consultant, BEC, have a minimum of ten (10) years past experience. We request that the minimum past experience requirement for the BEC be brought into line with other consultants by modifying the minimum past experience for the BEC to a minimum of five (5) years past experience.  
A. No.
5. Q. Please confirm that there is no scheduled pre-proposal conference and that site visits will be limited to firms who have progressed to Stage II.  
A. There is not a pre-proposal conference or site visit in Phase I. There are two scheduled Site Visits during the Phase II RFP only for the short listed firms.
6. Q. Evaluation Factors – Design Team, Factor 2 – Qualifications/Experience of Design Team Personnel requires a Security/Blast Consultant. Is the purpose of this consultant to provide security as in cameras, etc. or to provide security as in Anti-Terrorism Force Protection measures? Please clarify the role of the Security/ Blast Consultant.

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- A. To meet ISC requirements for GSA building requirements in Security/Blast Mitigation consulting.
7. Q. Page 18 of the RFP states that a "fully completed SF 330 (Architect-Engineer Qualifications) shall be included in each binder used." The requirements of SF 330 are very similar to the Evaluation Factors – Design Team requirements, including design team resumes and project experience examples. Because the proposal submission has a page count restriction, is it necessary to include this information twice?
- A. The SF 330 is required for the AE Lead Designer and Design Team only. Any team member that is submitting an SF330 is not required to resubmit additional resumes in other sections of this RFQ.
8. Q. If we are to include a completed SF 330, which tab would you like us to submit the SF 330 under?
- A. Under the appropriate Technical Evaluation Factor.
9. Q. If we are to include a completed SF 330, can the SF 330 be excluded from the page count?
- A. No.
10. Q. Evaluation Factors - Design Team, Factor 2 – Qualifications/Experience of Design Team Personnel. The RFP states that the minimum experience required for the Project Manager is 10 years, but the RFP does not ask for a resume for the Project Manager, only the Lead Designer and the Architect. Should we be providing resumes for a Project Manager, Lead Designer, and an Architect?
- A. Each offeror shall submit an organization chart and resumes for each key person. Reference page 9 of RFQ.
11. Q. Please clarify. The project experience form included in the RFP is two pages in length and the instructions in the RFP on page 9 limit the project experience summaries to 1 page to "include for each project submitted, title and location, project summary including square feet, contract award amount and final contract amount including all changes, dollar value of work self-performed and the percentage it represents of the final contract amount and project completion date." This information is not the same as the information requested on the project experience form. Should we be utilizing the included project experience form or following the submittal instructions on page 9?

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- A. "Summaries" are limited to the page each project. The "form" is a separate requirement. Then the three pages of photos are allowed.
12. Q. If we are to use the project experience forms included in the RFP, please increase the page limit for the project summaries to 3 pages to account for the length of the project experience forms.
- A. They are separate requirements, see answer above on RFI#11 and reference page 9 of RFQ.
13. Q. Evaluation Factors – Lead Designer, Factor 3 – Lead Designer Profile requires a biological sketch of the Lead Designer "including education, professional experience, and recognition for design efforts." Evaluation Factors – Design Team, Factor 2 – Qualifications/Experience of Design Team Personnel requires a resume for the Lead Designer which also includes the same information such as education, experience, and any personal awards. Should we be submitting the same information in both sections of the proposal?
- A. One section requests the Biographical Philosophical Design Intent and the other section requests a resume.
14. Q. Is it the government's intent for the Design firm to provide a Lead Designer and a Design Project Manager?
- A. Yes.
15. Q. I am reviewing the solicitation on the Cesar E. Chavez Memorial Office Building Modernization project and have a question regarding Phase 2 of this process. Will the GSA provide a design stipend for Phase 2 and if so, what value for each of the shortlisted firms?
- A. No.
16. Q. On the bottom of page xi it has a heading "PART IV Projects". Is this heading part of the Design Team Personnel Questionnaire? If not, please clarify, what section do we use these questions?
- A. No. It is part of the title on the next page...For Design/Build Team(DBT), Construction and/or Design. See corrected Attachment.
17. Q. Asset inventory is done by the GSA – What ISC Facility Security Level (FSL) classification is the Chavez building?
- A. Level 4.



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18. Q. Please clarify whether the list of "key" Design Team members on page 12 of the RFQ is all inclusive, or if others may be added. Specifically, this question pertains to determining if others, who we deem to be key, should have questionnaires completed.

A. Evaluation Factors for Design Team(Factor 1-3) on pages 11-13 are for the "Design Team". Key Personnel are comprised of the Part IV Projects- Design/Build Team-Construction and/or Design staff. All key personnel may submit on this form. See attached form.

END OF RFI's # 1 -- Amendment #2 posted on FedBizOpps -- 10/20/2009

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